

Comment: Kent Kobersteen (#1607) provided a comment on "P261 on First Flight of Graf Zeppelin," *The Perfin's Bulletin*, Jacob Kisner, pp. 105-106.

"I also own such a cover. My cover bears two stamps with the P&W perfin -- a Beacon air mail stamp and incomplete designs on a 20¢ Map air mail -- and is part of my specialized collection of the Beacon air mail stamp. Unlike Mr. Kisner's cover, mine is marked "Registered Mail/Return Receipt Requested," and bears a total of \$1.25 postage -- including the 2¢ stamped envelope. Because registered mail was not carried on the Zeppelin, the registration and return receipt marking are crossed out.

On the reverse my cover bears the same return address as does Mr. Kisner's. In addition, beneath the Beacon there is the printed return address "Room 1101, 25 Broad St., New York City." Unfortunately, no company name is given in the printed return address.

A check of a New York City directory of the period shows a company with the name Prince and Whitely at 25 Broad Street. The directory does list the address as Room 1101. The listing at the same street address as the return address on the cover suggests to me that P&W is more likely Prince and Whitely than Pratt and Whitney, as Mr. Kisner suggests.

This information was reported in my listing of perfins on the Beacon air mail stamp that was published in the May 1992 issue of *The Perfin's Bulletin*.

See illustration on page 164



STA.P

VIA GRAF ZEPPELIN



UNITED STATES - GERMANY

1928

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REGISTERED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Via Airship "Count Zeppelin" LZ127.

Mit Luftschiff "Graf Zeppelin" LZ127.

Miss Hanna Puls,
Lindwurmstrasse 93/III,
M u e n c h e n, Bayern.

Bornheim

AIR MAIL

VIA AIR MAIL

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Kent Kobersteens
Graf Zeppelin Cover